

## London Branch supporting statements 2020-2021

First name:	What motivated you to put yourself forward for election to the branch committee?	What qualities, skills and experience do you think you'll bring to the branch committee?	If you volunteered last year with the APM what was your best achievement/highlight?
James Buckley-Walker	I have been a C&P SIG committee member for three years now and have enjoyed my time volunteering as part of the eclectic group of contracts and procurement professionals. I have gained useful experience partaking in and organising the group's events and talks and have added value to the group from my experience. I would now like to become part of the London branch to bring my experience and skills to a more wide-ranging and diverse part of the APM. I would like to be part of the growth and capability of the Branch to reach more and more members and non-members by providing interesting events and publications to build the diversity and attraction of APM. I am passionate about the APM brand and its values that align with my own and those of my London based project management consultancy I am a Partner of.	I am an equity Partner of 3PM, which is a Portfolio, Programme and Project Management consultancy based in London. I will bring my 16 years' experience in project management for both clients and contractors within Australia and the UK to the benefit of the branch. My business has an excellent reputation for delivery in many sectors, however our key strength is within the science & technology sector where we have a strong track record delivering large, complex projects for both public and private clients. I can provide access to experts within this sector for events and other initiatives in an area of high interest and booming sector in the UK. I am also involved in new technology initiatives including blockchain and machine-readable contracts software and could provide interesting propositions for events and publications through the branch. I am also very passionate about diversity and equality in the industry.	Participation in and speaking at the launch of the APM guide to contracts and procurement

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John Chrastek	Desire to give back to the profession	I have long experience in support of this Branch and committee. I have been chair, secretary, corporate representative so can offer support to others wishing to carry out these roles.	Organising initial engagement with SME's
Chris Davies	Want to give back to the organisation and support others in their project management careers	Project manager for 20 years. Have served on the branch committee since 2018. Am a full member and ChPP.	Attending the volunteer forum in Liverpool.
Estelle Detrembleur	APM London Branch creates a positive and supportive environment where the community contribute to create opportunities and a positive impact in the project management profession. Having just served my first year on the committee I feel I have much more to give. I'm passionate about supporting the development of professionals and the project management profession and would like to growth the network bringing professionals from all industries to engage through high quality events.	My public relation expertise allowed me to work with high level management on Central and Local government initiatives. I'm an optimist who loves to take on challenges and deliver them through a cooperative approach. Through my career, I have served on many committees and working groups providing strategic solutions in all sectors. I believe I have been an asset to all committee I sat on, I am an honest, confident and articulate individual. I have written technical papers and acted as a judge in project management challenges.	I contributed as a subject matter expert to conferences and promoted the APM activities on Major Infrastructure Project, Universities in London and across the country as well as collaborating with various organisations on Project Management and knowledge-sharing.

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Sharron Escobar	Being a member and looking at the challenges in running events as desired by other members and meeting these diverse demands of a community of this size, is a thrill like no other.	A passion for project management formed over a twenty year career in all formats, and a genuine desire to help.	Believing in maintaining the hot food option and seeing this bear out with the extra smiles and networking happening (when we had face to face events)
Timea Kalmar	I've been an active participant of the APM community for over 4 years now and would like to further contribute to its development.	I am a dynamic and ambitious problem solver, with a track record of successfully managed projects. I perceive each APM event as a new project and strive to deliver talks on relevant topics to members. I have excellent communication and presentation skills as well as the ability to keep deadlines and deliver value to both APM members as well as the fellow committee members.	3no events I organised for the London branch with an average attendance of 60 members.
Martin Pressinger	Passionate about promoting and advancing the profession.	PM Experience in multiple industries. Understand APM. Been with London branch since 2016 and keen to support/leverage.	Treasurer : created a challenging business plan & budget for our committee and delivered within forecasts.

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Manasi Ramani	I am studying Master in Business Administration and while pursuing my qualification I have realised my career aspiration of being a project manager. I have achieved enthusiasm for being a project manager while studying project management as core module of MBA. I want to support the APM Branches in providing high quality events, learn latest developments of project management, make connections and enhance professional development.	I have good organisational and communication skills. I can work in teams and I am able to finish work in the given timeframe. I have an experience of planning the work and allocating the tasks in an organisation, which makes me more confident regarding my management skills. I am self motivated individual with a keen eye for detail. I am flexible and adaptable to various working environment.	
Martin Savage	I have been a member (and previously Secretary) of the branch for several years and this nomination is to continue my involvement.	Knowledge of the APM and the branch, 15 years professional experience as a project manager and project sponsor.	
Rhaynukaa Soni	As I am moving my focus towards a career in project management, it seems apt to join and support my local branch. I am looking forward to supporting members with their professional development and CPD. Equally I am excited about expanding my network and the opportunity to learn new skills.	I am an experienced project manager and believe these skills will help me on the branch committee. I am able to use my diverse network to secure speakers and site visits across a range of industry sectors. My skills of negotiation and persuasion have led to many events being held, at no cost to my organisation, as I have secured funding through sponsorship. My voluntary career started in 2009 and I currently I am the Chair of the IOSH London Metropolitan Branch.	I haven't volunteered with the APM. However, I have volunteered with the IOSH London Metropolitan Branch, where I am currently the Chair. I have significantly increased attendance at our Branch events, arranged for site visits across a range of industries as well as introducing breakfast meetings. Our annual budget was £20,000 and despite running a full calendar of events I only used £4,000. I have secured a free venue in Central London and catering is funded through sponsorship.

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Matt Tucker	Having been a part of the London branch for the last five years I have found that it is an exciting time for the APM in London with many great events. As part of the committee I would like to continue to put on excellent events and to build a great PM community in London	As an IT PM working for many large organisations in multiple sectors I can bring a different perspective to the branch.	
Bryant Yates	With 2000 members and 100 corporate members the APM London branch has a fantastic base to continue to build on and I'm proud to be part of it's success. I'm passionate about supporting the development of professionals and the profession and want to engage with our local members and businesses to run high quality events that bring professionals from our wide membership together and provide opportunities for growth and networking. Growing the breadth and depth of our membership in cosmopolitan London, especially so that we reflect the brilliant diversity of our capital is something I am keen to see continue.	I've been on the committee for the past few years and am currently the secretary - a role I'd like to continue. More broadly I'm proud to be a registered project professional and a chartered engineer with all the skills you would expect of a senior project manager. I manage a team of project and design managers in the Rail industry.	I really enjoyed arranging an evening talk by Alistair Kennedy on Scientific Management - it attracted a very diverse audience and I loved reconnecting with colleagues I hadn't seen in years.